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1,000 Lose Lives by Capsizing of Steamer

Chicago, July 27.—More than one thousand persons, possibly 1,000, most of them women and children, were drowned Saturday within a few feet of land by the capsizing of the steel steamer Eastland, as it was about to leave its wharf in the Chicago river with 2,500 relatives and friends of employees of the Western Electric Company, for an excursion across Lake Michigan. The ship rolled over on its side in twenty-five feet of water within five minutes after it began to list.

Coroner's Physician Springer declared that thirteen hundred persons were killed, while other estimates ran as high as two thousand, but these did not agree with the statement that not more than 2,500 passengers were on board the vessel. During the day more than 700 bodies were taken from the river and from the hull of the overturned steamer, whose sides were cut open with gas flames to admit divers.

Several persons were taken alive from the cabins of the ship after it had lain on its side in the river for four hours, but the three hundred others said to be in the hulk are all dead.

Under the glare of searchlights, scores of men worked in the hull of the vessel to remove the bodies. The steamer lay on the bottom of the river, one side protruding like a monument to the hundreds it had drowned as it turned over.

The cause of the capsizing had not been determined, but federal, city and State officers were conducting investigations to determine whether the ship was top heavy from faulty designing, was improperly ballasted or was poorly handled in warping from the wharf.

Marine architects asserted that the Eastland was faulty in design, that the top deck had been removed because of the tendency of the ship to list and also pointed to the possibility that the ship had been unevenly or insufficiently ballasted. The Eastland used water ballast, so that it would pump out some on entering shallow lake harbors, so some investigators are working on a theory that the ballast tanks were not filled and the rushing of passengers to one side of the decks caused it to roll over.

Unmarried Englishmen.

London, July 27.—In view of the talk of conscription, at least for unmarried Englishmen, wide interest attaches to figures compiled by the British census officials as to the number of married and unmarried Englishmen of military age. The figures, which apply only to England and Wales, show:

- Single men, aged 18 to 35, 3,032,000.
- Married men, aged 18 to 35, 1,933,000.
- Single men, aged 35 to 40, 234,000.
- Married men, aged 35 to 40, 1,002,000.

Between the ages of 15 and 65—the ages prescribed in the national registry bill, there are 11,100,000 men and 12,036,000 women, married and unmarried.

S. W. Students Pass Medical Examination.

Richmond, Va., July 23.—George William Maxfield, of Bristol; William W. McChesney, of Abingdon; Geo. W. Bots, of Appalachia; Edwin W. Corns, of Gate City; and James T. Shelburn, of Christiansburg, are among the ninety-nine successful applicants who passed the examination conducted by the State Board of Medical Examiners. Miss Annie W. Bell, of Wilburn, Va., was the only successful woman applicant.

The Wytheville press correspondent says:

To the Voters of St. Clair District: I hereby announce myself a Republican candidate for Justice of the Peace and hereby solicit your support at the election to be held Nov. 2, 1915. Yours truly, G. L. TUCKER.

Surety Company Settles; County Loses \$18,500

Bristol, Va., July 22.—The Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Maryland, which company was surety for J. O. Bradley, treasurer of Washington county, last Thursday settled with the State and county on account of the shortage of Bradley as treasurer. Bradley's indebtedness to the county was \$61,000 and to the State \$9,000. The attorneys for the county agreed to accept \$42,000 in full settlement of the amount due the county, while the State received the full amount due it. The county's loss is \$18,500. Counsel for the State in making the settlement was composed of Judge John W. Priece, Widener and Potts, while Treasurer Bradley was represented by Hutton and Hutton and Penn and Penn.

The county was represented by John W. Neal, John J. Stuart and M. H. Honaker.

The county supervisors are yet to pass upon the matter.

It is not known what course the surety company may pursue towards Bradley.

Tuesday morning a message was received in Wytheville from William Gwinn, colored in Bristol, stating that his mother had died and the message was to his father Wiley Gwinn, calling him to Bristol. About half hour before the message arrived in Wytheville Wiley Gwinn died here. The husband knew nothing of his wife's illness in Bristol, nor did she know that her husband was ill in Wytheville. The funeral service of Wiley Gwinn was held here Wednesday at two-thirty o'clock and at the same hour his wife was buried in Bristol.—Wytheville Enterprise.

One of the State Highway Commissioner's was at Mouth of Wilson Friday, but was non-committal as to any recommendations he may make. He evidently decided we need roads for the "Fordomobile" in which he traveled was stuck for an hour in mud in an abandoned road leading down Wilson by the Captain Senter place, Carl Young pulled the machine out with a team; but it could not be stopped, and ran against the team causing a runaway which damaged the car and harness considerably.—Grayson Gazette.

Rev. C. R. Cruikshank, pastor of the Second Baptist church of Bristol, has been called as pastor of the Baptist church of Gate City and will probably accept.

If the United States should go to war, there are in Virginia 300,000 able-bodied men whose service could be utilized in fighting for their country. This was the estimate last reported to the War Department by Adjutant-General Sale. All of these are not actually enrolled, but the State military authorities are required each year to report to the War Department the number of citizens that are available for active service. The actual strength of Virginia Volunteers at the present time is 116 officers and 2,000 enlisted men.

According to well informed apple growers packers and shippers the apple crop in Virginia this year will be considerably less than last year, which was larger than normal. Taking it all through the State the prospects are that Virginia will produce almost a normal crop. In Southwest Virginia the crop is estimated at 60 per cent of last year while in the Valley the crop is estimated at 75 per cent of last year's yield. The crop last year totaled 1,250,000 barrels. Winesap, Imperials, York, Black Twigs and Ben Davis are 50 per cent or more short and this is particularly so of Yorks, which bore a tremendous crop last season. Albemarle Pippins are much heavier than last year's crop, which was light in many sections.

Heavy War Orders for United States

Washington, July 27.—Large increases in exports of explosives iron and steel manufactures, automobiles, leather, cotton and wollen goods, chemicals, all classes of metal goods and in food stuffs are shown by detailed department of commerce statistics for May, issued today.

Exports of explosives increased \$5,500,000 over May 1914. The total for last May aggregated 9,800,000. Exports of explosives for eleven months in 1914 aggregated approximately \$6,000,000 while for 11 months in the fiscal year of 1915 the total exceeds \$30,000,000.

Iron and steel exports for May aggregated \$26,500,000, an increase of \$6,800,000 over May, 1914; commercial automobile exports aggregated \$6,600,000, an increase of \$6,500,000. For 11 months this year commercial automobile exports amounted to approximately \$30,500,000 as compared with \$1,000,000 for the previous period.

Refined sugar exports for the 11 months aggregate \$23,000,000, an increase of more than \$21,000,000. Flour exports for May aggregated \$9,800,000, an increase of \$5,500,000 over May, 1914. For the 11 months flour aggregated \$88,000,000 as compared with \$50,000,000 in the 1914 period.

Leather manufactures, other than boots and shoes, increased over May, 1914. \$4,900,000; cotton goods, \$2,800,000; brass and manufactures thereof, \$3,600,000; cars and carriages, \$2,300,000; cottonseed oil, \$1,400,000; cheese, \$1,800,000; zinc manufactures, \$2,500,000; aeroplanes, \$200,000. Slight increases occurred in exports of copper, boards, electrical goods, agricultural implements, naval stores, timber, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, earthenware and musical instruments.

Activity in Shipbuilding.

Washington, July 26.—Shipbuilding activity, due to the heavy demand for vessels since the European war began, is greater in the United States than it has been for several years. More steel vessels were being built or were under contract July 1 than at that time in any year since 1901, and there was a greater tonnage of wooden vessels building than since 1907.

Department of Commerce statistics issued last Thursday show 125 vessels were building July 1. Sixty-five were steel ships, aggregating 298,426 tons, and 60 were wooden vessels, totaling 288,701 tons.

Try to Bring Farmers to Va.

Richmond, July 28.—Representatives of ten congressional districts met here to-day and organized the Virginia branch of the Southern Settlement and Development Organization.

A movement was started to bring to the State a large number of farmers and a number of new industries. The bankers in attendance appointed a committee looking to the establishment of rural credit banks. A State manager will be employed and an office opened in Richmond.

Money to Fight Forest Fires

Washington, D. C., July 26.—An award of money for forest-fire fighting during the current fiscal year has just been made to the States by the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture. Virginia will receive \$2,000, provided the State will put up a like amount. This money is to be used in fire prevention on the watersheds of navigable streams, and is provided in the Weeks act of the last Congress, an act intended to supplement the work of the Appalachian Forest Reserve Commission. Only those States which agree to appropriate from their own funds are included in the list of awards. Maryland received \$2,000 and West Virginia \$4,000.

When baby suffers with croup, apply and give Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil at once. Safe for children. A little goes a long way, 25c and 50c. At all drug stores.

Asheville Man Loses Auto.

Asheville, N. C., July 26.—During the session of police court Saturday morning, Jim Gash, a negro chauffeur for the Star Market, was arraigned on a charge of speeding and pleaded guilty. Just before the case was disposed of M. Frank Hoffman, of the Star Market, appeared and stated to the court that the automobile delivery which Gash was driving when arrested, could not make 25 miles an hour, which the police claim that Gash did make.

The police insisted that the machine could and did make 25 miles an hour. Mr. Hoffman then made a proposition to the court that he would give the city the machine if it could make 25 miles an hour. Plain clothes men, Lieutenant Fred Jones and H. F. Dillingham, with a chauffeur, took the machine to Southside avenue and the first run resulted in a speed of 25 miles an hour and the second run in 29 miles an hour.

Returning to the city this information was conveyed to Mr. Hoffman and he told the officer to take the machine.

The delivery truck is valued at between \$500 and \$700 and the negro who was arrested for speeding with it has been before the court on similar charges.

Pretty Wedding

Wytheville, Va., July 26.—One of the very prettiest of home weddings took place at high noon last Wednesday when Miss Laura Mae Huffard was married to Mr. Edwin A. Carlisle at the beautiful suburban home of the bride's parent. The wedding was necessarily very quiet owing to the illness of one of the bride's sisters. The house was like a garden in the mass of bloom and green. The wedding place in the north room, where in front of a big bank of green, Rev. J. A. Gray awaited the bridal party.

The bride, beautifully gowned in a white crepe de chine and lace down with long bridal veil, and carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses, her only jewels being a diamond pendant, the gift of the groom, entered on the arm of her father, Mr. Rush Huffard, and was met by the groom and his best man, Capt. William Smith Langford. The impressive ring ceremony was used, and surrounded by those nearest and dearest to her, Miss Laura Mae Huffard became the bride of Mr. Edwin A. Carlisle.

Immediately after the ceremony an elegant six-course dinner was served. Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle were the recipients of many handsome gifts.

They left on the afternoon train for an extended trip through the west going first to Chicago, then through Yellowstone Park, on to Seattle, Portland and Vancouver, then to the exposition and through California, returning by the Grand Canyon. They will also visit Mr. Carlisle's parents in Newberry, S. C., for a short time before going to Springfield, Ohio where they will make their future home.

The wedding guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Will Porterfield, of Saltville; Mrs. Laura Hayes, of Chatham Hill; James Buchanan, of Rich Valley; Mrs. A. I. Martelle, of New Orleans; Robert Huffard, of Evansville, Ind.; Capt. William S. Langford and Rev. Carlisle, of Newberry, S. C.; Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Gray, Jno. L. Porterfield and wife, Rush Huffard and wife, Misses Birdie, Elizabeth and Virginia Huffard, Elizabeth Grose-close, Argyle Huffard, Walter Grose-close and wife, Dr. John T. Graham and Robert Moorman.

Abingdon, Va., July 28.—The Dupont de Nemours Powder Co. has leased of J. M. Goodman, a parcel of land one mile and a half west of Wallace, Virginia on the Goodman road, for ten years with privileges for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a magazine.

itching, bleeding, protruding or bluish spots have yielded to Doan's Ointment at all stores.

Plea of Girl Wins Her Father's Freedom.

Milledgeville, Ga., July 24.—The plea of a six-year-old child to Governor Harris to-day won a promise of freedom for Thomas Edgar Stripling, who was arrested in Danville, Va., in 1911, where he was chief of police, and returned here to spend his life in prison for murder after he had escaped from jail, fourteen years before, while awaiting transfer to the Georgia prison farm.

Learning that the Governor would visit the prison Saturday, Bessie Lucille, Stripling's little daughter, obtained permission to be present and make her appeal.

"Mr. Governor, won't you please turn my papa loose?" she pleaded. "He is sick and there is nobody home to work for us. Please turn him loose Mr. Governor."

Governor Harris, visibly affected by the childish plea, patted her on the head and replied:

"Little girl, run and tell your papa that I'm going to turn him out of here. Tell him that I am going to pardon him."

Later, after the prisoner's daughter had told him of the decision, the Governor himself visited Stripling. He did not announce the date the pardon would be given.

Stripling was known as R. E. Morris in Danville, where he was prominent. Four years ago he was recognized by a former acquaintance. He admitted his identity and voluntarily returned to this State, where he had been convicted of shooting W. J. Cornett in 1897.

The will of the late David H. Porter was probated Monday and his son Mr. George W. Porter qualified as executor. Mr. Porter left an estate worth over one hundred thousand dollars.—Wytheville Enterprise.

Preachers Try to Aid Canter

Richmond, July 26.—The Rev. J. W. Kinchele and the Rev. S. H. Templeman, of this city, who are attending James Canter, of Bristol, now in the State penitentiary, waiting execution for alleged conspiracy and implication in the attack on Mrs. Maude Wilson, in April last, have written letters declaring their belief in the innocence of the man.

Luther Canter, the man's brother made a full confession of the crime before his execution, and in that he said James Canter had no part in the affair. Attorneys for James, are making an effort to get a new trial for him. He is under sentence of death.

Virginians Organize.

Richmond, Va., July 27.—Representatives of the ten Congressional districts in Virginia met here Friday and organized the Virginia branch of the Southern Settlement and Development Organization. A movement was set on foot to bring to the State a large number of farmers and a number of new industries. The bankers in attendance appointed a committee looking to the establishment of rural credit banks. A State manager will be employed and an office opened in Richmond.

Knoxville Firm Gets Order.

Knoxville, Tenn., July 26.—A \$9,000,000 contract for the manufacture of a six-inch shell for the British army has been awarded the William J. Olivar Manufacturing Company by the representative of the British government in New York, according to the information reaching the city Friday. Colonel William J. Oliver said Thursday that the details of the deal are being closed now, but declined to discuss the matter at this time. Announcement of the awarding of the contract was made by L. E. Wooten, who is in New York representing the William J. Olivar Manufacturing Company.

Remember the big reduction in underwear and Ladies' and Men's oxfords at the Marion Clo. Co.'s store

Army Worm is On Way to Virginia.

Washington, July 23.—The army worm which did such enormous damage to various crops all along the Atlantic seaboard last year has been quite active in southern and central Texas within the past few weeks and is now making its way rapidly north-eastward through Louisiana and Mississippi, according to report received today by the department of agriculture.

These reports from experts in the field indicate that the army worm hords will reach Virginia probably about the second week in August and continue over into Maryland northward through the other Atlantic States into New England, which will be reached by late fall, just before frost.

The army worm is more abundant and active this year than for several years past, the experts say, because their natural enemies, several species of fly parasites, are less abundant than in former years.

The "army worm" is perhaps more generally known in the South as the "gramm worm" and "overflow worm." There is no doubt, the department of agriculture states, that it will be continued northward doing more and more damage as it advances.

The line of its probable march being fairly well known, however, farmers who act in time can do much to protect their crops, especially alfalfa, corn and the sorghums. The worms are difficult to detect when they first appear because they are very small and feed beneath matted grass and other low vegetation, and unless the farmer keeps a sharp eye on his field he is likely to find his corn and sorghum suddenly attacked by myriads of the worm which have grown rapidly toward maturity and emerged from their hiding places. When this happens corn will be stripped to bare stalks and alfalfa to bare stems almost over night.

Harry Routh is back in Lebanon after spending half of the summer on a fishing trip extending almost the length of Clinch river. He talks and talks about the good things to eat and the hospitality of the good homes he visited on this trip.—Lebanon News.

Governor H. C. Stuart has honored Henry A. Routh, of Lebanon, with the appointment as one of the Governor's delegates to the seventh annual meeting of "The American Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology," to be held at Salt Lake City, Utah, Aug. 16th. Mr. Routh's long familiarity with criminal law and practical experience evidenced the wisdom and reason for the Governor's selection.

J. E. Carroll, who for many years was one of Winchester's most popular citizens and commissioner of revenue for the city died three or four weeks ago and was buried with unusual honors. Since his death it has been discovered that his accounts with the city are short more than \$4,000 this amount having been collected by him and put in his own pockets. It is said also that as treasurer of the Handley trust fund he is short some \$5,000.

A bond issue of \$100,000 for the improvement of roads in the Christiansburg district of Montgomery county was authorized by a majority of fifty-one votes in a special election held last Tuesday afternoon.

Cambria voted heavily against the issue, but Christiansburg and Pilot gave good majorities for it. The money will be spent on the improvement of the roads in the Christiansburg district, about 20 miles of which will be macadamized.

Just received a full line of window shades. White, Green, White and Green. Morris and Wright.

Baldwin's War Orders Reach 97 Million.

Philadelphia, July 27.—The Keystone Munitions Company will be incorporated within a few days to handle war orders totaling more than \$97,000,000, received by the Baldwin Locomotive Works since the start of the war. Work will be started at once under the direction of the new corporation on new buildings at Edlystone, where Baldwins own a large tract of land.

War orders received by Baldwins include locomotives, car wheels, axles, munitions, shrapnel and other war materials. Various orders have been received, the last one being for \$80,000,000. It was learned today for the first time that the total is \$97,000,000.

The new company, it is understood, will operate as an entirely separate organization, and the Baldwin people will have nothing to do with the employment of men of the new company. Very shortly the Baldwin Locomotive Works will have use for all their own men to fill the orders now on hand for car wheels, axles and locomotives. In order to do this preparations are now being made to increase the force from seven thousand to 12,000 on the orders received from Russia alone.

Details of the orders recently placed with the Baldwin Locomotive Works for the Russian government alone are understood to be about as follows: 250 locomotives, \$6,000,000; 57,000 car wheels, mounted on axles, \$3,000,000; 200 trucks and 165 tractors, \$1,000,000; and 25,000 car wheel tires, \$800,000; total, \$10,000,000.

About two months ago the company received an order for 100,000 6-inch shells, which amounted to \$2,000,000. After they are completed the shells are shipped to an outside firm for loading.

Commissioner Koiper of the Virginia Agricultural Department, Richmond, has just issued a bulletin on "Weeds and Their Eradication" This is a very practical bulletin to the farmer, as it gives him valuable suggestions, in the first place, to sow seeds of all kinds that are free from weed seeds and in the next place how to get rid of the weeds that are already growing on the farm.

Arm Fractured.

A young man who was a passenger on No. 26, the fast east bound passenger train passing Pulaski about 4 o'clock, last Thursday had a compound fracture of the right arm as a result of holding his arm out of the window. The accident happened just west of the summit, and first aid was rendered by the crew and passengers. On reaching Pulaski a message was sent ahead to East Radford to have a doctor at the station, to give the fracture the necessary attention, it being impossible to get a message to Pulaski to have a physician meet the train. The injured man was riding in the day coach and in holding the member out of the window must have come in contact with the side of a cut.—Southwest Times.

Sends \$10,000 to Conscience Fund.

Washington, July 26.—Ten thousand dollars in currency, the second largest contribution to the conscience fund ever received by the government, arrived at the Treasury Department last Tuesday in a plain envelope mailed at New York, accompanied by an unsigned letter saying: "The sender has paid double to the United States the amount he stole and still conscience is not satisfied. Here is another payment." The package contained three one thousand dollar gold certificates, eight five hundred dollar certificates and thirty one hundred dollar silver and gold notes.

To the Voters of Rich Valley District: I hereby announce myself a candidate for Justice of the Peace and hereby solicit the votes of all. Very respectfully, H. J. VIPPERMAN, Chatham Hill, Va.

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MARION DISTRICT

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RICH VALLEY

J. ARTHUR CAMPBELL

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT

WILLIAM H. EADS

A Night School for Adults

At the request of the Superintendent of Schools of Smyth county a limited sum of money was furnished him by the State for the purpose of experimenting with a night school for adult illiterates. A point at the junction of the Cleghon Valley and Walker's Creek roads about seven miles northwest of Marion, was regarded as centrally located in section of the county that offers favorable conditions for the experiment.

One large tent and one small one were erected on the farm of Mr. Ben Lester, and ample equipment of desks, blackboard, maps, charts, books, pencils and tablet was provided. Through the courtesy of Mr. S. F. Cornett, a splendid Mason & Hamlin organ was added to the equipment, and with gasoline torches installed, the plant was ready for the night school.

The management of the project was pleased to be able to secure the services of Mr. H. P. Vaughn, of New York, to take charge of the school as teacher. Mr. Vaughn is admirably adapted to this peculiar line of service having had extensive training in the best schools of the North, including an extended course at Columbia University. He was for many years employed by the Presbyterian church on the east side of New York, and later did work for the Child Labor Committee.

It was decided to divide the day into two sessions, one for small children who may have been deprived of the advantages of the winter terms, beginning at 9 A. M. and extending to 1 P. M. The other, a session for illiterate adults, opening at 7 P. M. and closing at 10 o'clock.

After hardly two weeks, the enrollment of children for the morning session is 54; the adults of all ages enrolled in the night class number 43. The latter are very largely totally illiterates, and many have already learned to write their names and read simple print.

The interest manifested, especially by the older people attending the school, is considered marvelous. It has already become necessary to put an assistant teacher in the school. Miss Mary Rector has therefore been employed as helper to Mr. Vaughn.

A very attractive feature of this work which looks to general community uplift, is the Sunday afternoon preaching service. Large congregations of serious people have attended two services already held. The round of ministers of Marion and the county will be taken. Reys. J. J. Scherer and Frank Jackson having already filled appointments.

Back numbers of magazines and other periodicals would be gratefully received for distribution among the pupils of this school.

Republicans of Washington County Nominate

Abingdon, Va., July 26.—The Republican convention for Washington county convened here this afternoon at 1 o'clock in the opera house amid the stirring music by the Abingdon Booster Band. The auditorium was appropriately decorated with flag for the occasion. Probably one thousand people were crowded in the building; in the galleries could be seen men representing all the other political parties. Hon. P. J. Davenport was the orator of the day and addressed the assembly for more than an hour being frequently interrupted by applause. Following the address the convention immediately organized and made L. C. Hassinger of Konarock, permanent chairman of the convention, with T. L. Hayter, secretary. After naming committees on credentials and resolutions the convention entered upon its work of nominating candidates for the offices (the first being Commonwealth Attorney, R. J. Summers received this nomination, which was made unanimous by acclamation, Treasurer being the next and upon the nomination of W. W. Webb, the crowd broke loose with wild cheering, so great was the ovation the other candidates who had announced themselves arose and withdrew. Wild cheering broke loose again with cries for speech and as the popular nominee mounted the stage the band struck up "Dixie." Mr. Webb in a most no-least way thanked the convention and stated that if he were elected he would run the office for the best interest of the people. Five nominations followed for the office of sheriff and after taking the vote of the convention a second time W. H. Fleenor was announced nominated. Commissioners of revenue then followed: For the upper end, Chas. W. Gilmer; lower end, J. E. Ellington.

This was undoubtedly the largest and most enthusiastic county convention that ever assembled in Southwest Virginia. Prospects of republican success were never so bright in Washington county.

Free Delivery Service

Abingdon, Va., July 27.—That free carrier service will be established in Abingdon October 1 has been announced by the Postoffice Department through Postmaster R. P. Comings, of the local office. This service will be given, provided the town meets the requirements of the department, which are that the streets be designated by signs at the intersections, and that the houses shall be numbered. Two trips a day will be made over the town, and in addition, a third trip will be made to the business section. Not only will the territory within the corporate limits be covered, but the service will extend beyond the boundaries of the town where the streets are good and buildings numbered. The city council has appointed a committee to secure bids for the numbering of the residences and for placing street signs. The water and light company have given permission for the use of any of its poles for supporting letter boxes throughout the town.

Summer Normal Closes.

Abingdon, Va., July 26.—The completion of the final examination Friday evening marked the closing of the most successful session in the history of the State Summer Normal here, which this year was held in Martha Washington College, Abingdon. The enrollment, the largest in the history of the school, reached a total of 435. Nearly 100 teachers were exempt from examinations, and 325 remained for the three days' examinations at the close. It is thought fully 75 per cent will receive certificates to teach in Virginia. The exhibit given by the students of Misses Allison and Kingsley, of the department of manual and household arts, held Monday afternoon of the closing week, was one of great interest and surpassed all expectations. A great deal of work has been done during the four weeks of the session. Special interest was taken by the ladies of Abingdon and surrounding country in attending the classes in domestic science and household economics. Among the leaving teachers one heard on every side the hospitality of the people of Abingdon enthusiastically spoken of and hopes that the normal will be returned to Abingdon for another session.

Look out for hot days—Chorea Infantum. Don't worry—use Dr. Frazer's Teething Syrup. 25c Sample free.

Drowned in the Holston.

Abingdon, Va., July 27.—Dewey Reynolds, aged 17, was drowned in North fork of Holston river eight miles from Abingdon, late Sunday afternoon. Reynolds was an expert swimmer, and lived three miles from the stream. After having run the distance from his home, he hastily discarded his clothing and swam into the stream without cooling off. Striking a cold current without cooling off. Striking a cold current from a spring the shock, it is believed, cramped the swimmer and he sank. The body was recovered some time later.

Roanoke county citizens in convention at Salem Saturday including Democrats and Republicans, before adjournment at two o'clock, nominated a full county ticket, it being decided that the two parties should divide the officers. Those nominated follow:

Ivan Yonce, Republican for treasurer.

H. B. Goodloe, Republican, for commonwealth's attorney.

Thos. Aliff, Republican, for sheriff

John M. Petty, Democrat, commissioner of revenue, Big Lick and Cave Spring district.

Following adjournment a committee of nine, with B. P. Shelor as chairman, two members from each district, met to nominate a legislative candidate and commissioner of revenue from Salem Catawba district. It was agreed before the adjournment that both candidates must be Democrats.

In accordance with the Virginia practice in making petitions, for appeals to the Supreme Court by sending in the petition to the nearest judge of the court, Attorneys N. P. Oglesby, Gilmer, Warren and Stant, and Boling H. Handy have sent in a petition to Judge Joseph L. Kelly, of Bristol, for a rehearing of the James Canter case in the Supreme Court. Should Judge Kelly think that a new hearing should be granted, he has the power to grant it, but in case he does not think so the petitioners have the right to apply to the four other judges of the Supreme Court of Appeals.—Herald Courier.

The purchase by the federal government of 97,888 acres of non-agricultural land in the White Mountain of New Hampshire and the Southern Appalachians has been approved by the National Forest Reservation Commission. The total area so far approved for acquisition is 1,275,000 acres. East totals more than 1,275,000 acres. 3,062 acres at \$3.16 per acre in the Potomac area in Virginia and West Virginia, 264 acres at \$3.50, per acre in the Massanutten area in Virginia. 198 acres at \$3.49 per acre in the Shenandoah area in Virginia and West Virginia, and 13,423 acres at \$2.77 per acre in the Natural Bridge area in Virginia.

A CARD

TO THE VOTERS OF SMYTH COUNTY:—In asking you to support me, as a Candidate to represent Smyth County in the next General Assembly of Virginia, I think it fair and right, that you should know something of my views on matters affecting the interests of our State and County.

My idea is, that the business affairs of the State and County should be conducted with the same care, prudence and economy, that an individual, or Corporation gives to his or its business, and that Public Officials, including Legislators are it duty bound to prevent the reckless waste and appropriation of the People's money.

I am in favor of abolishing, and opposed to the creation, of unnecessary offices.

I am in favor of giving to our Board of Supervisors compensation enough to justify them to give time enough to our County affairs, as will secure and insure the careful and profitable expenditure of our increasing revenues.

I am in favor of the county doing its own Road Building, without the nomination of the State Highway Commission, which is cumbersome, expensive, and unsatisfactory.

My sympathies have always been with the needy and unfortunate, and I am in favor of any legislation that will bring to these, all possible comforts and relief, but I am unalterably opposed to a system of Pensions to Supreme Court Judges, or other Officials, who seek the positions they occupy, rather than pursue other avocations open to them.

I am opposed to the collection of more taxes, from the people, than is necessary to carry on our Government, County and State, economically administered and to provide liberally for our Schools and Charitable institutions, and for the comfort of our aged Veterans, who gave their best years to their Country's service, and who are now nearing the end of Life's pilgrimage.

I am in favor of any legislation needed to carry out the will of the People, in voting to abolish the liquor traffic from our State.

If elected, I shall be governed by the principles above expressed. If these principles meet your approbation, I shall be glad of your support. If elected, I shall not allow my private affairs to interfere with my duties, but will stay right there, on the "Job" until the session ends. Respectfully,
Geo. W. Richardson.

German Sink American Ship

London, July 26.—The American steamer Leelanaw, from Archangel, July 8th, for Belfast, with a cargo of flax, was sunk to day by German submarine off the northwest coast of Scotland.

All the members of the crew of the Leelanaw were saved. They were brought into Kirkwall in their own boats.

The Leelanaw was owned by the Leelanaw Steamship Company of New York. She was formerly the Ernwell. She was 280 feet long, and of 1,924 gross tons. She left Galveston May 5th and New York May 17th, with a cargo of cotton for Archangel. Early in June she was detained by the British at Kirkwall, because her cargo was consigned by way of Gothenburg, Sweden, which country forbids the export of cotton.

Having discharged her cargo at Archangel, the Leelanaw was returning when sunk.

The Leelanaw was torpedoed July 25th. The steamer left New York May 27th with a cargo of cotton for Archangel. She was detained at Kirkwall.

An official statement of the German government, issued April 18th, 1915, set forth that flax is a contraband of war. The Leelanaw was commanded by D. B. Blk. Her crew of seven officers and 32 men and her owners planned to return the Leelanaw in ballast.

Shooting Tragedy at Plasterco, Va.

Saltville, Va., July 27.—A Sunday afternoon tragedy, which greatly shocked this entire community, occurred near here when Edward Collier, white, 25 years old, was shot and almost instantly killed by Bob Venable, also white, 20 years old. Collier was shot with a double barreled shotgun, and died within a few minutes after the discharge of the deadly weapon. His brother, it is said, had married Venable's sister only a few weeks ago.

The tragedy took place at Plasterco, a small town near the Washington and Smyth county line, only a few miles from Saltville. It seems that Collier had just lost his job, and the plaster plant for his being fired. A fight ensued, in which it is said Collier got the worst end of it. He then threatened Venable's life, according to the story of friends, and on Sunday he is alleged to have gone to the Venable home in search of his antagonist. When he got to the gate, Venable warned him not to enter his premises, so it is claimed, but he refused to heed the warning. Upon entering the yard Venable leveled his shotgun at him and emptied both loads into his body. Collier fell in a heap with two gaping wounds and was dead in a few moments.

It is said that the coroner's jury exonerated Venable on the ground that Collier attacked him on his own premises and that the shooting was in self-defense.

Abingdon News

Abingdon, Va., July 28.—With Judge P. W. Campbell presiding, the court of this county convened last Monday and again on Saturday for the purpose of hearing motions to place on the treasurer's list the names of qualified voters whose names were omitted from the list as at first posted. Some 160 to 175 omitted names were added to the list and the correct list will be posted.

Mrs. J. J. Counts, aged 68 years, died Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Snodgrass, on East Valley street, after a number of months of declining health. The funeral services were held from the residence on Thursday morning and were conducted by Rev. J. L. McMillan and Rev. C. L. Ladford after which the remains were conveyed to Mt. Olivet cemetery, near Rock Springs, where the interment occurred. The deceased is survived by her husband and four children, Mrs. W. J. Snodgrass, of Abingdon; Mrs. W. E. Pruner, and H. J. Counts of Friendship, and Thomas L. Counts, of Roanoke.

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One or two Dr. King's New Life Pills with a tumbler of water at night. No bad, nauseating taste, no belching gas. Go right to bed. Wake up in the morning, enjoy a free, easy bowel movement and feel fine all day. Dr. King's New Life Pills are sold by all druggists, 36 in an original package, for 25c. Get a bottle to-day—enjoy this easy, pleasant laxative.

White and Black Shoes.

St. Paul, Minn., July 28.—Black and white shoes are being turned out by the thousands now by St. Paul's shoe factories, second in size in the nation. The black and white is an upshot of the war. They were formerly used in Europe to indicate mourning and their attractiveness caused an unprecedented demand in this country.

Anent the mentioning from time to time of the wheat yield from Pulaski county farmers comes one of the best reports from Mr. H. W. Vaughan. He had sown an acreage of 24 measured acres which threshed out 762 bushels by weight, which gives an average of 31 3/4 bushels to the acre.—Pulaski Times.

The firemen of the different companies of Virginia have been notified that a rate of one cent a mile for the distance traveled, or two cents a mile for the "round-trip", has been secured for parties of ten or more on one ticket attending the annual meeting of the Virginia State Firemen's Association, at Covington, Aug. 25, 26th and 27.

Adwolve Notes

Our farmers have most of their hay in the stack or mow and are now threshing their wheat and preparing the soil for another wheat crop. The weather has been very favorable for the farmers this year and the crops are yielding abundantly, and it is well that it is so, for the European war is causing us to look for our sustenance to our home farmers.

The Misses Wilson of Abingdon are visiting friends in our town and vicinity this week.

Rev. H. W. Bellamy delivered his monthly sermon at South Fork Baptist church to a large and attentive audience Sunday.

The Baptist Young People's Union, which was recently organized, also held an interesting meeting Sunday night.

Miss Alice Blankenbeckler, Mrs. John Parks and Miss India Stuart, who have been attending the Summer Normal at Abingdon for some time, returned to their respective homes Friday. They report a pleasant month. There were in attendance at the Summer Normal about four hundred and fifty young men and young women, nearly all of whom expect to teach in the public schools of the State during the coming term.

Mrs. Ruth Allman, of Vernon Texas, who has been visiting relatives in Adwolve for several days, left Monday for Shawsyilla, where she will visit relatives before returning to Texas.

Miss Josephine Anderson, of Marion, is visiting relatives in our community this week.

Miss Lettie Hole and Mr. Arthur Vernon went to Bristol last week and were united in marriage. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for a long and prosperous life to these young people.

Miss Hazel Anderson, of Bristol, came up last Sunday and is spending the week with her grand-mother Mrs. E. J. Anderson whose condition, while not materially changed is very good. She is able, when placed in her chair to sit up for a few hours after taking her meals. She continues to suffer with her Rheumatism and other troubles. Miss Beula Anderson arrived home Thursday from Harrisonburg, where she completed her course at the State Normal. She graduated in several departments of the school.

Below we give the Oak Point Civil League program for Saturday, July 31, 8 p. m. We would like for all members to be present, as we have some important business matters to look after.

Music.
Recitation—Miss Mary P. Moor.
Song—Lucille Daniel, Laura M. Wolfe, Evelyn Britton, Nora Blankenbeckler, Ola Wolfe.

Recitation—Miss Sallie Wolfe.
Violon Solo—Mr. Willie A. Wolfe.
Recitation—Miss Myrtle Martin.
Important Debate.

Jokes—Prof. C. E. Anderson.
Everybody welcome.

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Would Protect the Virginia Treasury.

Richmond, July 28.—"It will be a cold day in August before I'll let the State's money be spent in bringing back wife deserters from other States," said Police Justice Crutchfield.

The One John was referring to the case of a man now in a Northern city whose wife is anxious to get the State to bring him back to Richmond.

Under the new law a wife deserter may be brought back from other States provided the wife or other parties are willing to stand for the expense, and in extraordinary cases the State may put up the cost itself.

The One John, who is determined to save State just as much money as possible, made it clear that he did not intend to apply his ruling to absolutely every case brought to his attention. In some instances, he said, he would probably agree to let the Commonwealth pay the cost.

But he expected those instances to be rare.

The new statute gives the judge the option of either putting the wife deserter and non-supports on probation for the first offense or sending them to the roads. Under the old law probation was compulsory in case of the first offense.

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VIRGINIA—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Smyth on the 28th day of July, 1915.

Sarah E. Bolt, Plaintiff }
against } In Chancery
Frederick Bolt, Defendant }

The object of this suit is for the Complainant to obtain from the Defendant and absolute divorce on the ground of desertion. And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, Frederick Bolt, is not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Marion News, a newspaper published in the County of Smyth, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this county on Aug. 2nd, 1915, that being the next succeeding rule day after this order was entered.

A copy—Teste:
S. W. KENT, Clerk
J. D. PERKINS, p. q.

Itching, bleeding, protruding or blind piles have yielded to Doan's Ointment 50c. at all stores.

Minister is Arrested.

Bristol, Tenn., July 27.—Rev. S. S. Kreger, a Methodist minister, was arrested here Saturday on a warrant charging violation of the age of consent law while he was in charge of a Methodist orphanage at Greenville, Tenn. Kreger was in company with his wife and the two were en route for the home of the latter's parents at Crockett, Wytbe county, Va., when the former was arrested. The girl involved was an inmate of the orphanage, and was under 16 years of age, it is alleged. Kreger protests his innocence. When asked for a statement, he expressed the belief that the warrant would not have been issued but for fear of prosecution for libelous publication, following an investigation by the orphanage committee. The warrant was sworn out by Rev. J. A. Burrow of Chattanooga, secretary of Holston Conference. Kreger is a native of Southwest Virginia. He was formerly in business here, and withdrew to enter the ministry. He is about 40 years old.

A special train carrying about one hundred members of the Roanoke Chamber of Commerce will leave there on August 4th for a three days' tour of Southwest Virginia. The train will consist of Pullmans and a baggage car, and the party will visit Bluefield, Tazewell, Richlands, Cleveland, Swords Creek, Honaker, St. Paul, Elkhorn City, Coeburn, Norton, Appalachia, Big Stone Gap, Natural Tunnel, Gate City, Bristol, Abingdon, Marion, Wytheville, Pulaski, East Radford and Christiansburg. The train will make its stop here at 11 a. m. on Aug. 6. The members will be accompanied by a first-class band.

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